## 2006 Special Events

June 3<sup>rd</sup> is National Trails Day, enjoy guided hikes at Ulm Pishkun State Park & Tower Rock State Park. Ulm Pishkun hike is from 9:30 AM to 12 PM and the Tower Rock Hike is 9:45 to 12 PM. These hikes are part of the Get Fit Great Falls kick off celebration.

June 14<sup>th</sup> Special Flag Day program on the life of Captain Clark's slave York. Program takes place in park 7 to 8 PM.

June 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> Celebrate the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Lewis & Clark Festival, "Homeward Bound," as you can enjoy Native American and Lewis & Clark Encampments in the park.

August 12<sup>th</sup> Community Artists Day, paint or draw in the park with local Great Falls Artists from 8 AM to 4 PM.

# Giant Springs State Park

## Mileage Chart Giant Springs parking lot to:

The Great Falls	14.5
Rainbow Falls Overlook	1.2
Black Eagle Memorial Island	4.2
Sulphur Springs Trailhead	18
Ryan Dam Trailhead	14
Lewis & Clark Center	.3
Ulm Pishkun State Park	20
Helena, MT	95



## Giant Springs State Park

2006 Interpretive Program Schedule



Giant Springs is one of the largest fresh water springs in the world, pouring out 156 million gallons of water every day. Giant Springs State Park offers a fish hatchery visitor center, wildlife viewing, picnicking, trails & fishing.

Enjoy your State Park!



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### Giant Springs State Park 2006 Daily Summer Schedule

Programming from May 31<sup>st</sup> through September 3<sup>rd</sup> or as Indicated Open Everyday from 8 AM to Dusk

### Wednesday Lunch Hour Programs 12:15 PM to 12:45 PM

"Wednesday Lunch Hour Programs" will cover a variety of topics on a themed rotation basis. Four themes will rotate as follows: Area history, Lewis and Clark history, wildlife, and plants. A state park interpretive specialist will present each program. Park fees apply to non-residents. Limited seating will be available so bring a lawn chair or blanket and dress appropriately for the weather. If the weather does not cooperate we will move the program to the Fish, Wildlife & Parks headquarters conference room across from the park.

### Waterfall Interpretive Hour 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

An interpretive specialist will present a short program interpreting the history of Rainbow Falls at Lewis & Clark Overlook. Maps and brochures will be available and all questions will be answered. No fee. The overlook is located 1.6 miles east from the Lewis and Clark Center. Dress appropriately for the weather.

### **Thursday** "Mining, Geology & History in Your State Parks" Summer Evening Series 7 pm to 8 pm

Giant Springs programs are 6/22, 7/20, & 8/17. The Summer Presenter Series will focus on mining impacts, geological features and history at local state parks. Park fees apply to non-residents. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and dress appropriately for the weather. If the weather does not cooperate we will move the program to the Fish, Wildlife & Parks headquarters conference room across from the park.

### Friday Interpretive Walk 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM

A state park interpretive specialist will take you back in time describing what the Missouri River Valley looked like when Lewis and Clark traveled up the banks of the same area almost 200 years ago. You will learn about native plants and history in the area and you may also take in the 9:15 am movie at the Lewis & Clark Center or follow the guide back to Giant Springs. Park fees apply to non-residents. The walk is just over a quarter mile to the Lewis & Clark Center or 1 mile back total. Dress appropriately for the weather.

### Waterfall Interpretive Hour 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

An interpretive specialist will present a short program interpreting the history of the waterfalls in the Island Park picnic area. Maps and brochures will be available and all questions will be answered. The island is located below Ryan Dam and the Great Falls of the Missouri River. Dress appropriately for the weather.

### **Saturday** State Park Interpretive Hikes 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Starting on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, National Trails Day, the public can join an interpretive specialist at either Tower Rock State Park or Ulm Pishkun State Park (start times are located on the back of this brochure) and enjoy an informational hike as we will take in the culture and nature of each state park. If you miss the opportunity you can still take advantage of one of the hikes. June 17<sup>th</sup> Ulm Pishkun, July 15<sup>th</sup> Tower Rock, and an added hike on August 19<sup>th</sup> at Sluice Boxes State Park. Dress appropriately for the weather and hike and please bring your own water.

#### Waterfall Interpretive Hour 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

An interpretive specialist will present a short program interpreting the history of the Black Eagle Waterfalls on Black Eagle Island. Maps and brochures will be available and all questions will be answered. No fee. Black Eagle Island is located below Black Eagle Falls and Dam. Dress appropriately for the weather.

### Sunday Children's Programs 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Join an interpretive specialist at Giant Springs State Park for Sunday afternoon children's programming. These presentations are focused towards children from ages 5 to 12 years. The hands-on programs will range from animal tracks to endangered animals. Park fees apply to non-residents. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and dress appropriately for the weather and if the weather does not cooperate we will move the program to the Fish, Wildlife & Parks headquarters conference room across from the park.

Monday and Tuesday Tours and Programming when available